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Dear Barton:

Thank you for the introduction to the reissue of "Inborn Factors in Disease".

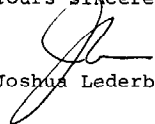
It is a very fine analysis and I have hardly any comments.

I would say that Stent grossly understates the heterogeneity of science and especially as this is divided among its disciplines. You touch upon this; but if anything that may deserve a little bit more emphasis. Geneticists were not generally expected to know much chemistry, nor vice versa, at a time when there was little "genetic chemistry" to study -- a vicious cycle.

Contrary to your page 12 it is this social organization of science rather than the technology of communication that has changed in modern times.

Page 14: perhaps you would also want to add that his books were in fact reissued over some period of time during Garrod's lifetime. It would be helpful if there were a complete bibliography of Garrod's work on this subject including these kinds of details like new editions and so forth.

Yours sincerely,

  
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